



FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 15, 1906.

The Charleston News and Courier gives no serious consideration to President Roosevelt's avowal that under no circumstances will he again be a candidate for the presidential office. It says: "The substantial reason upon which to ground a belief that Mr. Roosevelt will not be the candidate of the republican party for President in 1908 is that the republican party may not nominate him. We are inclined to suspect that they have had enough of the 'Terrible Teddy,' but it is easily possible that they may be forced to use him again to avoid something even less palatable. In short, if Colonel William Jennings Bryan shall be the nominee of the democrats, Mr. Roosevelt may be the one man appearing available to beat him, for the obvious reason that 'Rooseveltism' and 'Bryanism' are much the same, Mr. Roosevelt being in his politics and views a fairly accurate replica of the Nebraskan, though their temperamental differences are considerable."

The grand jury has made a report on the Curtin murder case which is substantially to the effect that the identity of the murderers of George Curtin six months ago are still unknown, although they say they have evidence which may lead to a solution of the mystery. This is the third examination into this perplexing case and, so far as results are concerned it has been almost as much of a waterhous as those that have preceded it. The grand jury have labored assiduously to probe the mystery, and in doing so have patiently examined about seventy persons who had been summoned before them. Those who it was supposed would prove to be star witnesses failed to wax into magnitude. There was but one thing to do—discharge the suspects—and this was accordingly done.

The two houses of Congress have reached an agreement of the joint statehood bill which is a great improvement on the House bill. Oklahoma and the Indian Territory are to be admitted as the State of Oklahoma as soon as the voters of the two territories organize a government and adopt a constitution. New Mexico and Arizona are to be permitted to vote next November, each separately, on the question of union. If either territory opposes amalgamation both will remain territories until the time shall come when they will be admitted as separate States. If the people of the two territories prefer to maintain their present status for the present it is their business and the rest of the country can have no serious objection to offer.

Blood is again flowing in Russia, and more is to follow, according to today's dispatches. Jews and Gentiles are represented to be the parties in these unfortunate clashes, which revive racial hatred which has already extended through the centuries. Such occurrences are, to say the least, unfortunate, and are sad reflections on the era in which we live. It is said that a Jewish anarchist threw a bomb into a religious procession, and this act precipitated the conflict in which thirty innocent Hebrews were massacred and many more seriously injured. All sorts of wild reports are being circulated to the detriment of the Jews, some to the effect that Gentile maidens have been murdered by them.

The report was revived in New York last night that Charles M. Schwab will turn up at the proper moment as a candidate for United States Senator to succeed Francis G. Newlands, of Nevada, whose term expires March 3, 1909. At present Mr. Schwab is a resident of New York State. But it is the impression nowadays, among millionaires, that a seat can be purchased in the Senate at most any old time.

The Charlottesville city council last night voted to lease the city gas plant for a period of twenty years to Washington capitalists. Charlottesville has become tired of municipal ownership.

From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.) Washington, June 15. The Interstate Commerce Commission today sent out a drag net circular letter to every railway company in the United States calling for information that will assist the commission in its investigation of the coal and oil business. Among other things, the railroads are directed to furnish the commission with a statement showing all coal and oil property owned by the railroads on January 1, 1906, or in which they may have had any interest at that time; also a list of all corporations which are in any manner connected with the coal or oil business in which the railroads have any interest whatever; also the names and addresses of all railroad officials who are charged in any way with the duty of distributing cars to shippers of coal or oil. According to the statement of Senator Fulton, the republicans carried Oregon by even more of an overwhelming majority than the returns first indicated. "Only five democrats were elected to the upper house of the legislature," said Senator Fulton at the White House this morning, "and with

the single holdover they had in the same branch, a handfull comprises their entire representation out of all the 90 votes in the legislative body. The Governor was the only other democrat elected in the entire State and he got in simply and solely because of his personal popularity."

The conference report on the statehood bill was adopted by the House yesterday, the final passage being marked by an impetuous reply of the Speaker to an insinuation of Delegate Smith of Arizona, that undue influence had been used to affect his position on the statehood question. Speaker Cannon, in a dramatic speech, resented insinuations that he had exerted improper influence on the statehood question and said: "That insinuation, implied so far as it reflects upon the Speaker of this House, and so far as I know or believe upon any other member of this House, is unworthy of the gentleman that uttered it and without foundation in fact."

The Navy Department is informed by cable of the drydock Dewey having passed Sabang on the island of Pulo Weh, off the west end of Sumatra. It is believed that Lieut. Commander Hosley will lay to with the Dewey and the towing squadron composed of the colliers Glacior, Brutus and Caesar at Singapore for rest and recreation. From now on the famous tow will have fairly clear sailing to Subig Bay.

The military secretary is informed of the death of Second Lieut. John B. G. McClure, artillery corps, at Fort Monroe, Va., yesterday. Lieut. McClure was born in Virginia, Oct. 8, 1879. He was appointed to the artillery corps July 10, 1901.

The House committee on interstate and foreign commerce today authorized a favorable report on the bill which has already passed the Senate, extending from 28 to 30 hours the period during which cattle in transit may be kept without water, food or rest.

In the House yesterday Mr. Rixey introduced a bill for the relief of the estate of Philip Houser.

Senator Daniel after a canvass of the Senate claims to have secured 60 votes for a \$1,400,000 appropriation for the Jamestown Exposition.

Secretary of War Taft has received from Governor Pardee, of California, a letter expressing the gratitude of the people of San Francisco and of the State for the aid rendered by the War Department and the government generally during the days following the earthquake and conflagration.

Mr. Munoz, minister from Guatemala, called at the State Department today and in an interview with Mr. Bacon, the assistant secretary, stated that he had received advices from President Cabaena stating that the government forces had been successful in encounters with the revolutionists and that the strength of the uprising seemed broken. The State Department has received numerous messages from diplomatic and consular representatives in and around Guatemala reporting fighting. The advices are largely conflicting.

Representative Babcock, of Wisconsin, who was asked to testify before the grand jury in New York City in relation to campaign contributions by insurance companies, more particularly the Mutual Life, today received a letter from District Attorney Jerome informing him that his testimony would not be needed.

Alfred Washington Benson, the new Senator from Kansas, was introduced to the President today by Senator Long.

The following official statement was given out at the White House today concerning the President's letter of yesterday to Chairman Wadsworth of the House committee on agriculture on the subject of the committee's action on the beef inspection bill: "In the letter to Mr. Wadsworth, the President stated that almost every change in the proposed House amendment was a change for the worse as compared with the Senate amendment and that no matter how judiciously, or as framed as to minimize the chance of roasting out the evils in the packing business; that the President thought it would be doubtless suit those packers who objected to a thoroughgoing inspection, but that he also thought it would in the long run, be a heavy blow to the honest stock raiser and the honest packer; that the proposed amendment would gravely hamper the Secretary of the Agriculture in doing the work appropriated him to do, and would simply defer the day we could restore the foreign and interstate trade in meat to a satisfactory position. The President has explained verbally that he is far less concerned with the question as to whether the packers or the government should pay for the inspection than with certain other features in the bill."

Chairman Wadsworth this afternoon wrote a letter to President Roosevelt in reply to the one received. He will not make known its contents. He has been in conference with Speaker Cannon. Members of the agricultural committee predict that it will "stand pat."

A contest between the House and the President is in prospect. Speaker Cannon has placed himself behind the Wadsworth inspection amendment notwithstanding the President's voiced opposition. In the view of the leaders "the House will pass a just and equitable inspection bill if it takes all summer." There is some violent comment privately made; no one will speak for publication. The gist of the comment is that the President has been badly advised and that his opposition to the bill is based on a misconception. Senator Beveridge comes in for much of the criticism. The charge is made that he has led the President into error. The President's chief objection to the Wadsworth substitute for the Beveridge amendment, as outlined in the letter from the President to Chairman Wadsworth of the agricultural committee of the House, is that it does not supply rigid night inspection of slaughtering and canning establishments. Speaker Cannon himself called on the President today, to convince him that he is in error. He pointed out that in this regard the Wadsworth measure has practically adopted the phraseology of the Beveridge amendment, granting the inspectors access "at all times to every part of said establishment," also providing for inspection "during the night time, as well as during the day time," when the slaughtering or preparing of food products is conducted during the night time. Notwithstanding Speaker Cannon's explanation, the President gave out a statement again declaring his disapproval. Chairman Wadsworth and several members of the agricultural committee of the House were in conference

today on the subject. They maintain absolute silence. Chairman Wadsworth declines, for the present at least, to make public the President's letter of disapproval. The President's objections to placing the cost of inspection on the government are not emphatic enough to have decided influence in the House. The question of the cost will be sharply contested on the floor. The division of sentiment on this question is marked and not defined along party lines. The Illinois delegation is a unit in favor of the cost provision in the Wadsworth substitute and is supported in this by Representatives Rainey, the only democratic member from Illinois. The other democrats also give it their support. There is a general demand for more detailed information as to what the President's objections are to "certain other features in the bill." Until this has been more fully explained, many members will remain undecided as to their course.

The fertilizer trust will be investigated by the Department of Justice, on the charge of violating the Sherman anti-trust law.

How serious the situation and the extent of the predicament into which President Castro has involved Venezuela by his foreign policies are set forth by Consul Thomas P. Moffat, of La Guayra, Venezuela, in a report to the State Department. War duties on exports, the consul says, continue. Provisions of all kinds, even those forming the principal food of the laboring classes, have advanced from 25 to 100 per cent. in price, while at the same time opportunities for employment are rapidly decreasing. No public works are being constructed or contemplated, with the exception of a floating dock, which is being built at Puerto Cabello. Since the announcement of the contract organizing a Government bank has been made public, gold has entirely disappeared from circulation. "The Hamburg line of steamers, which has regularly scheduled two steamers monthly for Venezuelan ports," says Mr. Moffat, "has withdrawn one steamer, owing to the smallness of the cargoes obtainable. The cities give ample evidence of this fact by the extraordinary number of vacant houses. The opportunity to keep in touch with the foreign market for cocoa and coffee, the principal articles of export, has been prevented though the severance of direct cable communication, which is of the utmost importance to those who must keep informed as to the market conditions in order to ship to the best advantage. Railroads and harbor concessions recently granted have been abandoned through misgivings as to the future, and the options paid thereon forfeited. That underlying conditions are prejudicial to prosperity, at least for the present, is so apparent as to cause anxiety on the part of all commercial interests. The extended uncertainty as to the adjustment of foreign matters is restraining trade in other quarters and compelling those who largely control the financial situation, commission and banking houses, to the very prudent in commitments involving any ventures beyond actual and present requirements."

News of the Day.

Thirty-two insurance companies are standing out against the proposition of 60 others to pay only 75 per cent. of their San Francisco fire losses.

Michael J. Sullivan, formerly a pitcher of the New York National League Club, and member of Governor Gould's council, died today in Boston from cerebral hemorrhage.

A bulletin of the Department of Commerce and Labor shows that the foreign commerce for the fiscal year will exceed that of any previous year in exports and imports.

A committee of the National Manufacturers' Association visited the Chicago stockyards yesterday and report that the attacks on the beefpackers are gross exaggerations.

Surrounding a shrine of the Virgin with drawn stiletos, a score of Italian women defied the New York policemen yesterday to evict them from a condemned tenement.

Gen. Nelson A. Miles, speaking in Nebraska, yesterday expressed the fear that the race problems confronting the United States may make a change in the form of government necessary.

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W. N. Cronwell, of New York, counsel for the old Panama Canal Company, will be summoned before the Senate committee on interoceanic canals to answer questions to which he has refused heretofore to give answers.

By threatening to attach a "rider" to the sundry civil appropriation bill, providing for the construction of a sea-level canal, Senator Hale last yesterday afternoon succeeded in forcing the Senate to set Thursday next as the day for voting on the present bill which determines the type of canal to be constructed at Panama.

Mrs. Laura Cook Corey, of Braddock, Pa., will not name any woman in her suit for divorce. It will be fought simply as a case of desertion and Corey will not oppose the decree. He will be represented by Attorney Summerfield, mere to conform to the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court. All these arrangements were made in Braddock.

Mrs. Corey gets \$3,000,000 for agreeing to these terms. This cuts out all likelihood of any sensational testimony. It is understood that Mr. Corey is going to marry a New York woman as soon as he is free.

Darker and more impenetrable grows the mystery surrounding the kidnapping of little Frankie Muhi, the seven-year-old son of a Philadelphia jeweler, than at any time since the boy was lured from school three days ago by an unknown man.

Will Support Mr. Bryan.

E. C. Wall, who was the choice of the Wisconsin democracy at the St. Louis convention two years ago for the presidential nomination, will be enthusiastic for the nomination of Mr. Wm. Jennings Bryan at the next convention of that party. Although Mr. Wall came out prior to Bryan's second nomination as an advocate of the gold standard, he supported the free silver nominee at the polls. In speaking yesterday in Milwaukee of the Bryan wave, Mr. Wall said:

"I look upon Mr. Bryan as by far the ablest American citizen today in public life, because of his constant activity in public affairs and his attitude before the people. The silver question has been settled in this country—it settled itself—and I believe Mr. Bryan would prove the greatest leader the united democracy could find. I have always supported him."

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Virginia News.

The Virginia State Bankers' Association is in annual session at Old Point Comfort.

A handsome 'set of battalion colors was yesterday presented to the battleship Virginia by the Virginia Junior Order of American Mechanics.

Mr. Frank Carper, of White Post, Clarke county, and Miss Lena Painter, daughter of Amherst Painter, of Warren county, were married Wednesday.

Miss Susan E. Williams died Wednesday afternoon at the residence of her brother, John L. Williams, banker, in Richmond, in her eighty-second year.

R. W. Riley who, some time ago, purchased the old Kildare or Newman Burke place in Fairfax county, has discovered a rich vein of gold on the property.

Mr. George McDonald, of Clarke county, and Miss Bertie Seaton, daughter of Mr. Harvey Seaton, were married Wednesday at the bride's home near Round Hill, Loudoun county.

Fire Wednesday destroyed the new barn on the farm of J. M. Pierce, near Bayard, Warren county, causing a loss of \$2,000. A quantity of machinery, 200 barrels of corn, and several hundred dollars worth of hay were destroyed.

A charter was granted yesterday to the Loudoun Valley Milling Company, incorporated of Hamilton, Incorporated, S. E. Rogers, president, Hamilton; J. R. Chambliss, treasurer, Purcellville; J. W. Gregg, secretary, Purcellville. Capital stock, maximum, \$50,000; minimum, \$20,000.

Mrs. Julia Warwick Kendall, wife of Mr. Robt. Kendall, of Belmont, Spotsylvania county, died at her home Tuesday, aged 75 years. Mrs. Kendall was twice married, her first husband being Mr. Henry W. Moncure. The remains were sent to Stafford, where they were interred in old Aquia churchyard at 11 o'clock on Thursday.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Virginia Randolph Bolling Hoge, daughter of the Rev. Dr. Peyton Harrison Hoge, formerly of Richmond, now of Louisville, Ky., to the Marquis Sangermano, of Italy. The Marquis is connected with the diplomatic service of Italy, the couple will make their home at the Palazzo Gennaro, in Rome.

A syndicate composed of S. D. Ferguson and several other Roanoke capitalists and J. D. Funkhouser, of Staunton, has purchased a controlling interest in the Roanoke Gas and Water Company. The capital stock is \$600,000, and the syndicate has bought in more than half of that amount. Extensive improvements will be made in the plant.

The law providing for a rate of 2 cents a mile on all railroads in the State went into effect yesterday, but the new statute has been completely ignored by the railroads. The attorneys for the roads are a unit in declaring that the law is unconstitutional. The matter probably will soon be taken before the corporation commission and then into the courts for final decision.

The Court of Appeal, sitting in Wytheville, reversed the decision of the state corporation commission. In the case of the Chesapeake and Ohio against the Commonwealth of Virginia, which decision was in favor of the railroad company. The suit grew out of the taking over of the James River and Kanawha canal and involved the building of a bridge at Maiden's Ferry, on the line of the Chesapeake and Ohio.

Capt. John G. Pollock died at his home, "Hobson," in King George county, Wednesday evening, after a short illness, aged 68 years. At the beginning of the war he entered the army with the Fredericksburg Artillery, and served from a private to the position of its commander. In action or in camp he was always calm and collected, and was beloved by every man in his command. When he surrendered his command at Appomattox, he came home and engaged in farming. He is survived by his widow and three children. The funeral took place today and the interment was at "Marmion."

Will be Given a Speedy Trial. By the order of Judge Henry Page the grand jurors of the April term of the Princess Anne, Md., court were summoned yesterday afternoon to appear in Princess Anne on Wednesday, June 20, when a special session of the Circuit Court for Somerset county will be held to try William Lee, colored, now confined in Norfolk jail, charged with criminally assaulting Mrs. G. Robert Barnes and Miss Frances Powell last Sunday at Kingston, Princess Anne county.

Sheriff Brown received the requisition yesterday afternoon, and will go to Norfolk and take the prisoner to Baltimore from there. He will be accompanied by the National Guard to protect the prisoner when he arrives at Princess Anne next week.

The jail is being guarded nightly by deputies sworn in by Sheriff Brown to protect Edward Watson, who is confined at Princess Anne for murderous assault upon Samuel S. Barnes. There has not been any demonstration at Princess Anne as yet of an attack upon the jail but the authorities deem it advisable to use precaution.

After a consultation with Judge Henry Page at Annapolis, Md., yesterday morning, Governor Warfield said that he had been informed by Judge Page that the negro, William Lee, charged with felonious assault in Somerset county and now in jail at Norfolk, would be given the speediest trial consonant with fairness, and, if convicted, his punishment would follow with equal speed.

In the meantime, Governor Warfield said, "Judge Page and myself are determined that the man shall be tried and punished according to due course of law. The whole power of the State will be employed to assure this if necessary."

The Governor has received the assurance of Governor Swanson, of Virginia, that Lee may stay in Norfolk until wanted by the Maryland authorities. For obvious reasons the Governor was not willing to tell exactly what his plans are in regard to the disposition of Lee, but it seems clear that he will not be taken to Princess Anne until after the special grand jury meets there and brings in an indictment, as it doubtless will.

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Today's Telegraphic News

Thirty Jews Killed. Warsaw, Russia, June 15.—The latest advices received from Bialystok, Russia, the scene of the massacre of Hebrews yesterday, are to the effect that 30 Jews were killed and over one hundred were wounded. Nearly all the shops and stores conducted by Jews were sacked and some of them were burned. Large numbers of panic-stricken Hebrews have left the city. The principal streets of Bialystok are patrolled by troops and as a result order has been restored. The massacre was caused by a Hebrew anarchist who threw a bomb among the Corpus Christi procession at Bialystok yesterday, killing or wounding many persons. The Christians, enraged by the outrage, attacked the Jews on all sides. The conflict was most savage until the arrival of troops when order was restored.

Dialystok, Russia, June 15.—The situation here today following the outbreak yesterday in which serious street fighting occurred between Gentiles and Jews accompanied by considerable loss of life, is extremely critical.

A rumor started today that a number of Gentile girls had been killed while they were returning to the city from surrounding villages. The story has greatly stirred the people and there will be a renewal of the massacres. The banks, shops, restaurants and factories are closed, and business is practically at a standstill.

St. Petersburg, June 15.—The expected trouble in the Duma was not long in brewing after the sitting began. Speaker after speaker savagely attacked the government laying the blame for yesterday's outbreak at Bialystok on the authorities. The Duma unanimously carried an interpellation for the appointment of a commission to investigate the illegal acts of the administration.

Probing Murder Mystery. New Canaan, Conn., June 15.—The mystery of the killing of Sellick Dunn, whose body was found yesterday in a well on his premises, at Sellick's Corners, is now in process of solution. The State's attorney's office in Stamford has taken charge of the investigation and it is believed that detectives are at work, but every one who is in a position to know any facts in the case is secretive.

State's Attorney Fessenden makes a rule never to discuss a case at this stage and his assistant, Galen A. Carter, now in active charge of the office, adhere to the same rule. There have been rumors in New Canaan that suspicion rests upon someone who lives in the neighborhood of Sellick's Corners. Medical Examiner Kelley admits that he has a clue which may lead to a solution of the mystery. Kelly will not indicate what it is. He said the clue may be a false one which seems to be more likely that it is true, that there would be serious danger of hinting at what it is, for it involves a person at Sellick's Corners who has heretofore borne a good reputation. The theory generally accepted is that the murder was committed by tramps tempted by the belief that Dunn had a large sum of money hoarded in his little cottage. In the autopsy which took place last night at Lawrence's undertaking rooms were the body now is, three bullets of 32 calibre were extracted but the revolver from which they were fired has not been found. The coroner is to hold an inquest, but he is not expected in New Canaan today, and it is believed the inquest will be held upon the state's attorney and detectives have looked into the case thoroughly.

Accident to Street Cars. New York, June 15.—Seven persons were injured and passengers on two trolley cars were thrown into a panic while women fainted today when a Tompkins avenue car crashed into a Grand street car at the Manhattan end of the Williamsburg bridge. Motorman Frank Beggin, in charge of the Tompkins avenue car, was on the incline coming toward the Manhattan end and in some manner lost control of the brakes. The car, crowded to the doors with its human freight, was but a short distance behind a Grand street car in charge of Motorman Beck. Seeing that a collision was inevitable Motorman Beggin jumped to the roadway and his car crashed in the Grand street car. The rear truck of the Grand street car was thrown from the tracks and there was a wild scramble of the occupants of both cars to get out. A number of women fainted and were carried to the promenade by policemen, where they revived. The seven injured were cut by flying glass or suffered from shock and contusions.

The Dreyfus Case. Paris, June 15.—The hearing for the revision of the Dreyfus case opened today. The discussion was devoted to an examination of the secret documents in the case. Neither the public prosecutor nor Dreyfus's attorney is asking for a new trial, but for the quashing of the former judgment. The documents which were taken up for examination are said to show the absolute innocence of Captain Dreyfus and it is expected that the decree of the Rennes tribunal accordingly will be annulled. The plea for annulment rests upon charges of fraud in some of the secret documents and irregularities in the Rennes proceedings.

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